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The Commonwealth submits the following status report. The Commonwealth believes that the parties have reached a settlement on the terms discussed at the last status conference. The Commonwealth has circulated a document captioned Settlement Agreement and Mutual Releases, which is to be executed by all parties. The other parties have been providing comments and the document has been revised several times. The amount of the settlement and the terms of payment have been agreed upon. There do not appear to be any serious points of contention, and the last

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revision primarily addressed concerns relating to the scope of the releases. The Commonwealth believes that the version currently being circulated fully incorporates all necessary changes.

Making allowances for travel schedules, the Commonwealth believes that a final agreement should be reached by the end of the week. Once the Agreement is finalized, it is anticipated that the signatures to counterparts can be obtained in short order. Upon execution of the Settlement Agreement by all parties and their counsel, the parties will submit to the Court a Stipulation for the Dismissal of the pending action, together with a draft Order of Dismissal.

DATED: June 14, 2006.

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